

Good afternoon members of the Transportation Committee and the Connecticut General Assembly.

My name is Gavin Curran and I'm an organic farmer in the state urging strong support for HB 5423 to expand rail service & SB 127 to allow direct sales of electric vehicles to consumers.

I believe we need dramatic upgrades and upkeep to our existing infrastructure and by expanding public rail we would be doing a public service to everyone. Freedom of movement is considered a human right by the UN under Article 13 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, our state should be treating public transit in the same way!

Thank you for your support for these important pieces of legislation, I look forward to this committee voting to pass these bills on to the full general assembly and then becoming law.

Sincerely,
Gavin Curran
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